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APPLICANT: Gines, D.

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TITLE: ELECTROSURGICAL GENERATOR WITH ADAPTIVE POWER
CONTROL

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 22, 2000, please amend the application as follows:

In The Claims

All of the claims, whether amended or not, are shown below for the convenience of the Examiner.

1. (Amended) An electrosurgical generator for applying [energy] output power to tissue to desiccate tissue, the [controller] electrosurgical generator comprising:

a controller for cycling the output power to cause a cycling of the tissue impedance; and

a tissue impedance measurement circuit coupled to said controller for measuring impedance of the tissue;